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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS ON SUMMIT AND PARLIAMENTARY VISIT

1. PRAVDA WEEKLY INTERNATIONAL REVIEW MAY 19 KEEPS U.S.- SOVIET SUMMIT BEFORE EYES OF SOVIET READERS, NOTING THAT PRESIDENT NIXON'S VISIT IS PLANNED FOR JUNE AND THAT PREPARATIONS ARE NOW GOING ON. SENATORS KENNEDY AND SCOTT ARE CITED FOR "ACTIVE SUPPORT" OF VISIT AND SCOTT IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT U.S. GOVERNMENT COMMITMENTS TO BETTER RELATIONS WITH USSR HAVE BIPARTISAN, CONTINUOUS CHARACTER.

2. PRAVDA REVIEW ALSO HIGHLIGHTS VISIT TO U.S. OF SOVIET PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION HEADED BY PONOMAREV, WHICH IT NOTES IS FIRST SUCH VISIT SINCE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN 1933. SEPARATE PRAVDA ITEM MAY 20 NOTES DEPARTURE OF GROUP, WHICH WAS SEEN OFF BY CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARY KAPITONOV AND OTHERS. PRAVDA NOTED AMBASSADOR'S PRESENCE AT DEPARTURE CEREMONY.
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